

ANNUAL OPERATIONS AND PROGRESS REPORT

From Month/Year January 1986
to Month/Year December 1986

(To be submitted for each mining operation at the end of each calendar year to the Division at this address:)

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DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING
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OPERATOR: Umetco Minerals Corporation MINE NAME: La Sal - Snowball Mine

ADDRESS: P. O. Box 307, La Sal, Utah 84530

PERMIT NUMBER AND DATE OF PERMIT: ACT/037/026 12/21/78

REPRESENTATIVE: R. F. Barnett

SECTION(S):	<u>35</u>	TOWNSHIP(S):	<u>28S</u>	RANGE(S):	<u>24E</u>
	<u>1</u>		<u>29S</u>		<u>24E</u>
	<u>6</u>		<u>29S</u>		<u>25E</u>

MINERAL(S) MINED: Uranium & vanadium

STATE AND/OR FEDERAL MINERAL LEASE NUMBERS: UML #18301, UML #27248, UML #27247

SPECIAL USE PERMITS AND/OR RIGHTS-OF-WAY: None

Section 40-8-15 and Rule M-8 of the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act, requires each operator to include with this report an up-dated map and plan prepared in accordance with Rule M-3, as outlined in the requirements for annual report maps in Appendix I, providing a detailed status of all mining and reclamation activities which have occurred during the past year.

The report should include:

MINING:

(a) Tabulation of acreage disturbed (by pits, roads, facilities, etc.) during the report period with illustration on a current map.

<u>Disturbance</u>	<u>Acreage</u>
Pit	not applicable
Roads	<u>none</u>
Facilities	<u>none</u>
Waste Dumps	<u>none</u>
Other	<u>none</u>

(b) Tabulation of acreage affected to date (by years).

<u>Date by Year</u>	<u>Acreage (Total)</u>	<u>Date by year</u>	<u>Acreage (Total)</u>
1975	<u>0</u>	1985	51
1976	<u>0</u>	1986	51
1977	<u>13</u>		
1978	<u>17</u>		
1979	<u>17</u>		
1980	<u>17</u>		
1981	<u>17</u>		
1982	<u>17</u>		
1983	<u>51</u>		
1984	51		

(c) Tabulation of all topsoil (new) stockpile volumes (see chart below) and date of stockpiling.

SOIL TABULATION CHART

Area Affected (in mining sequence) (If more space is needed, please attach.)	Area			
	1	2	3	etc.
Acreage of Area	<u>None</u>			
Depth of Topsoil Removal (inches)	<u></u>			
Depth of Topsoil Replacement (inches)*	<u></u>			
Estimate of Topsoil Volume Salvaged (yd ³ or ac ft)	<u></u>			
Volume Actually Salvaged (yd ³ or ac ft)	<u></u>			
Volume Required for Reclamation (yd ³ or ac ft)	<u></u>			
Surplus or Deficit Volume (yd ³ or ac ft)	<u></u>			
Storage Status (short- or long-term)	<u></u>			

Soil Tabulation Chart (continued)

Area Affected (in mining sequence)	Area			
	1	2	3	etc.
none				
Storage Location				
Area Where Soil Has Been Used (if not stored)				
Running Total (all stockpiles) (yd ³ or ac ft)				
Short-term				
Long-term				

*Of previously stripped area recently reclaimed.

(d) Tabulation of all (newly removed) out-of-pit spoil volumes, date of placement and illustration on a map.

<u>Area</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Acreage</u>
none		

(e) Tabulation of quantity of commodity mined.

	<u>Commodity</u>	<u>Tonnage</u>
(Mined)	none	
(Milled)	none	

(f) Description of any new construction during the report period with illustration on a map, including, but not limited to:

- Buildings and support facilities.
none

- Roads.
none

3. Diversion ditches, collector ditches, interceptor ditches, etc.
None

4. Culverts.
None

5. Sediment ponds, containment ponds.
None

6. Monitoring sites (vegetative, air quality, surface subsidence, surface water or ground water, etc.).
None

7. Topsoil stockpiles.
None

(g) Description of any environmental problem areas with a proposed plan for mitigation and illustration on a map, including, but not limited to:

1. Pit stability problems.
Not applicable

2. Subsidence.
None

3. Accidental water discharge, dam failure, etc.
None

4. Slumping, sliding or erosion.
None

5. Revegetation problem areas.
None

6. Existence and location of unsuitable (toxic) overburden.
None

RECLAMATION:

(a) Tabulation of the acreage reclaimed during the report period with illustration on a map, distinguishing between:

1. Backfilled, graded and contoured areas.

Area

Acreage

None

2. Topsoiled areas.

Area

Acreage

None

3. Seeded areas.

<u>Area</u>	<u>Acreage</u>
None	

4. Reseeded areas (areas previously seeded, then seeded again).

<u>Area</u>	<u>Acreage</u>
None	

(b) Tabulation of total acreage reclaimed (seeded with permanent seed mix) to date by years with illustration on an updated map:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Acreage</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Acreage</u>
1975	0	1985	0
1976		1986	0
1977	0		
1978	0		
1979	0		
1980	0		
1981	0		
1982	0		
1983	0		
1984	0		
1985	0		

(c) Description of the reclamation procedures used during the report period, including:

1. Average depth of topsoil applied.
None

2. Type of seed (species) used for seeding during the report period.
None

3. Date of seeding during the report period.

Spring None

Fall None

4. Seeding procedures used.

(Hand broadcast or drilled or any other).
None

5. Rate of seed application.

Pounds Per Acre of Pure Live Seed (PLS) (if varied, please explain)
None

6. Type and rate of fertilizer applied.
None

7. Type and rate of mulch applied.
None

8. Rate of irrigation water applied, if any. Please describe any
type of sprinkling, or water applied (water truck, etc.).
None

9. Revegetation test plot information.

(Cover, density, productivity, etc.)

Only fair growth of crested wheatgrass has established itself in
Plat F. Sparce Russian thistle is growing wild scattered throughout
the area.

10. Soil analysis results.

None

(d) Description of results of previous revegetation efforts, including:
(This should be done as applicable.)

1. Types (species) of seed that have germinated and are growing.

None

2. Types (species) of seed that are not growing successfully.

None

3. Areas experiencing problems with weeds and weed types.

None

4. Significant erosional problems.

None

5. Areas of unsuitable overburden on the surface as related to
revegetation failure.

None

6. Procedures used or proposed to correct these problems.

None

7. Acreage and dates of release (upon inspection by the State) of revegetated areas.

<u>Area</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Acreage</u>
None		

8. Results of soil analysis.
None

(e) Summarization of the reclamation costs incurred during the report period, including itemized costs for each operation (i.e., grading, topsoil replacement, seeding, etc.) and for each type of disturbance (i.e., spoil, haul roads, facilities removal, etc.) on a per acre basis.

	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Cost/Acre</u>
1. Grading		
2. Backfilling		
3. Contouring		
4. Topsoil Replacement		
5. Seeding		
A. Seedbed Preparation		
B. Mulch		
C. Fertilizer		
D. Seed		
6. Other		

BOND INFORMATION:

- A. An updated bond estimate should be included, if required in the Division's approval of the Mining and Reclamation Plan (MRP) or if changes to the MRP have occurred, including a detailed itemization of actual/estimated reclamation costs as outlined in the RECLAMATION section above. The date of the release of revegetated areas from further responsibility for a partial bond release, if applicable, should also be included.

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Date Posted</u>
Present Bond	<u>\$177,800</u>	<u>Surety Contract</u>	<u>January 25, 1985</u>

Increased disturbance, if any:

Increased Bond Amount (attached reclamation estimate).

B. Bond release.

<u>Acres</u>	<u>Bond Amount Released</u>	<u>Date</u>
None		

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Supply any additional information as requested by the Division related to:

- (a) Permit stipulations (status).
- (b) Other special conditions (status).

The mine was on standby status during all of 1986. The mine will be put back into operation on a limited basis during 1987. No erosional or any other environmental problems occurred during 1986.

APPENDIX I

ANNUAL REPORT MAPS

1. Maps must be clear and legible contour maps or recent aerial photos. The scale should be 1 inch = 500 feet to adequately show topographic features.
2. Map sheets should be of a reasonable size, not to exceed 48 inches on a side.
3. Maps must have a title block with:
 - A. Map title.
 - B. Name and address of permittee.
 - C. Permit and amendment numbers.
 - D. Annual report period.
 - E. Scale, north arrow, contour interval, date of photography, etc.
4. All maps must show:
 - A. Legal subdivisions.
 - B. Permit area boundary clearly shown and labelled.
 - C. Amendment areas clearly shown and labelled.
 - D. Contour features.
5. The following features should all be clearly identified:
 - A. Topsoil stockpiles (numbered and with volumes).
 - B. Settling ponds and sediment control structures.
 - C. Haul roads.
 - D. Pits identified by location, name, number, etc.
 - E. Ramps (numbered).
 - F. Out-of-pit spoil dumps.
 - G. All waste disposal sites including, but not limited to:
 1. Landfill sites.
 2. Carbonaceous waste dumps.
 - H. Diversion ditches.
 - I. Monitoring sites.
6. All areas to be affected by mining and reclamation in the coming year should be outlined and labelled.

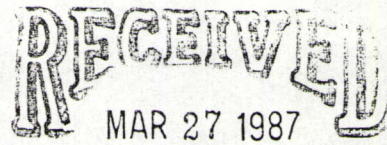
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March 25, 1987



DIVISION OF
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Dear Mr. Braxton:

Enclosed is the annual report for 1986 for the five permitted mining areas which Umetco Minerals Corporation controls in San Juan County, Utah.

I did not enclose maps of the mining areas for 1986, because all mines were on a standby basis for the whole year. No erosional problems occurred during the year. The Hecla and the Wilson-Silverbell mines are being kept dewatered. The 12,777 tons of ore which were stockpiled at the Hecla mine were shipped to the White Mesa mill at Blanding, Utah. The stockpile area was not reclaimed, because we hope to use it in the near future. We are working with the Department of Health on solving the mine discharge water problem at the Wilson-Silverbell mine. The plan is to construct a five acre evaporation pond. A copy of our submittals will be forwarded to you.

Please contact me if you or your staff have any questions.

Yours truly,

Niels B. Haubold
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Manager of Mines

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